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Dear Lou,

Busy as all of you must be, I want to save you all the work possible while wanting to be informed to the degree possible. I have copies of the 113 pages. They are not yet in my possession but they have been obtained for me. If you do not have copies of the official copies, as, of course, you should, since they have been given ti the N.O. papers, I can supply them next week. Also, I think when I get what has been gotten for me it should include press releases, in case they interest you. On the question of denial of rights they might be relevant. If I suspect there is more than I will get, I will seek it. And, when I have it, I'll let you know what I have. All I know now is that it has been obtained for me.

Anyway, it is not necessary to trouble you to copy them if you have them or to copy the N.O. papers if that is your source.

A N.O. source has sent me the S-I's Parts II and II and I have read them and the excerpts in the T-P for Tuesday the 6th. I note the repetition in that of two rooms, 276 and 876. My recollection of the Fountainbleau is perhaps not as sharp as it should be, but if it is, then 276 ought to be a very large and well-appointed room that Pershing let me use in the Spring of 1968. My room had a very noisy air conditioner and I had to make a radio broadcast by telephone. The prospect of an hour or more in a booth was not pleasant. I saw him and asked him of he knew where there was a quiet, comfortable phone and he took me to this really big room. I think it was an entire apartment. I didn't prowl, of course, and as soon as I finished the broadcast I left and locked the door behind me. He left before air time and did not return. I think it was on the Tulane side . Is it just a coincidence that the wired room was 876, or, it would seem, six floors above? I do not recall the location of the room he turned over to me clearly, but I do know that as I sat at what I think was a desk, it was away from and, I think, facing the door, which was also to the left as I faced it from some distance. I think there was a kitchen to the right and he told me to make myself comfortable, use what I might want, etc. Since it was not Pershing's place, he didn't have to get anyone else else's okay or a key because he didn't. I donot know if this means anything.

I am also getting the wire-service copy filed from N.O. This is not the same as what the local papers carried and may contain what they do not. I have the AP's copy to smaller papers outside your region. They downplayed. The story was only three paragraphs.

Sincerely,